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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DATE DOCKET NO.	October 13, 2021 ND-2021-40-G
UTILITIES MATTER	✓	ORDER NO.	2021-693
THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL	SERVE AS T	HE COMMISSION'S	ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.
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Order Requesting an Allowable Ex Parte Briefing

SUBJECT:

ND-2021-40-G - Allowable Ex Parte Briefing for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated Regarding the Cost of Gas on Natural Gas Prices and Electricity Prices and Its Impact on Customers - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration a Request by Commissioner Carolee Williams for an Allowable Ex Parte Briefing from Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated Related to the Cost of Gas on Natural Gas Prices and Electricity Prices and Its Impact on Customers.

COMMISSION ACTION:

I move that the Commission request an Allowable Ex Parte Briefing from Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Incorporated (Piedmont) regarding the cost of gas on natural gas prices and electricity prices and its impact on customers. This Allowable Ex Parte Briefing shall be held on December 7, 2021 at a time which is separate and apart from any other allowable ex parte briefing scheduled for the same day. I further move that we give the Staff the discretion to change this date if administratively necessary.

I further move that Piedmont present information to the Commission at this allowable ex parte briefing on the following items:

- Overview of Natural Gas Rates and Ratemaking in SC
- Current Wholesale Gas Prices Trends and the Cause of these Trends
- Impacts of Gas Price Trends to Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) By Customer Group
- Impacts of Economic Changes on Rates via Rate Stabilization Act (RSA)
- Gas Cost For Electricity
- Commission actions in other jurisdictions
- Customer Impacts by Increasing Gas Prices
- How the PSC and utilities can help keep gas costs/prices down
- Messaging Rate Changes

I so move.

PRESIDING:	<u>Belser</u>			SESSION: Regular		TIME: <u>11:00 a.m.</u>	
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER			
BELSER		✓			Present in H	earing Room	
CASTON		✓			Voting via W	ebEx	

ERVIN		✓	Voting via WebEx
POWERS		✓	Present in Hearing Room
THOMAS		✓	Present in Hearing Room
C. WILLIAMS	✓	✓	Present in Hearing Room
J. WILLIAMS			Annual Leave
(SEAL)			RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

